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USSR PLANTS IMPROVE FARM MACHINERY

PRODUCE BRUSH CUTTERS -- Riga, Sovetskaya Latvya, 9 Jul 53

The Kazan' Machinery Plant of the Ministry of Agriculture and Agricultural Procurement USSR is producing a brush cutting machine for use with the S-80 tractor.

TULA PLANT SHIPS COMBINES -- Kiev, Pravda Ukrainy, 12 Jul 53

The Tula Self-Propelled Combine Plant recently shipped improved S-4 combines to the Kuban', the Northern Caucasus, the Ukraine, Western Siberia, and the Volga River region.

DEVELOP NEW COTTON CLEANER -- Stalinabad, Kommunist Tadzshikistana, 16 Jul 53

Four plants are building the new BCh-1M battery cotton cleaner for removing large trash particles. It was designed by the Central Scientific Research Institute of the Cotton Cleaning Industry in Tashkent. The Stalinabad Repair Plant, Ministry of Agriculture and Agricultural Procurement USSR, was the first of the four plants to complete an experimental model of the BCh-1M. Shifrin, chief engineer of the plant, Kotov, chief of the Technical Division, and Komarov, chief of the Division of Technical Control, took an active part in preparing for series production of the machine.

After testing at the plant, the machine will be sent to the Stalinabad Cotton Cleaning Plant imeni Kuybyshev for production testing.

BUILDS FEED GRINDERS, WATERING TROUGHS -- Vil'nyus, Sovetskaya Litva, 19 Jul 53

The Vil'nyus Kommunaras Plant foundry is turning out castings for PK-3 feed grinders ahead of schedule.

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The machine shop completed its month plan for automatic watering troughs on 18 July. In the first 15 days of July, the shop turned out 152 pumps instead of the 125 called for by the plan.

PRODUCE SPARE PARTS -- Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, 27 Jul 53

The Volkovysk Foundry and Machinery Plant has completed its 1953 plan for mower parts and its third quarter plan for reaper parts.

In the first 6 months of 1953, Belorussian SSR enterprises produced 38 per cent more spare parts for agricultural machines than they did in the corresponding period of 1952.

DEVELOP MOBILE STEAM POWER UNIT -- Moscow, Nauka i Zhizn', Oct 52

The All-Union Scientific Research Institute for the Mechanization of Agriculture has designed a new mobile steam power unit, the LPU-1, which weighs half as much as a locomobile and consumes only  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cubic meters of wood in a 24-hour period.

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